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Infantry Regiment in Kiskoros

An infantry regiment, under the jurisdiction of the 5th Inf Div with headquarters in Kecskemet, is located in Kiskoros. 



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Hqs and regimental units are stationed in the old infantry barrack on Soltvadkert-ut. The barrack has a capacity for about 1,500 troops. The regiment consists of regimental headquarters; hqs unit; 1 antitank co. equipped with 4 57-millimeter antitank guns; 1 accompanying battery equipped with 4 76.2-millimeter field guns; 1 mortar co.-equipped with 6 82-millimeter mortars; 1 antiaircraft heavy machine co. with 6 12.7-millimeter pieces; and 1 motorized reconnaissance co. equipped with automatic guns. The operational units consist of three regular infantry battalions.

Total strength of the regiment is approximately 1,300 men.

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The allegation that there are installations in Ferihegy for antiaircraft rockets is absolutely false. The Hungarian army does not even possess an antiaircraft rocket for training purposes. Students at the antiaircraft training schools have seen only pictures of rockets. Selected officers, noncoms, and enlisted men have been sent to Czechoslovakia for further training, where they have been instructed in the use of such weapons. The Czechoslovaks have demonstrated the use of these weapons on a polygonal airfield, located in the Garam valley on the lower Tatra. The weapons consisted of 3 - to 3.5-meter rockets with 3 ~~guiding fins~~; the diameter of the rocket at the widest point is 360 millimeters. Such rockets are not manufactured in Hungary; but come from Czechoslovakia.

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There are no antiaircraft pieces installed on any Hungarian airfields. However, at the Ferihegy airfield, an antiaircraft barrack is located about 300 meters from the airfield.

It is true that each battalion of ground personnel is equipped with 12.7 SCGW machine guns located at prominent points along the airfield (on the roofs of hangars, on control towers, and on the roofs of fuel depots).

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The ~~32d~~ Infantry Division

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The report that the ~~32d~~ Infantry Division has come under the jurisdiction of the Army Corps in Pecs is completely false. There is no army corps in Pecs, but only a military district command. (II) ✓

The military district commands are exclusively administrative units (they furnish troops with equipment, construct barracks, firing ranges, etc), and all divisions of the Danube valley (except the 7th Motorized Div of Esztergom), including the ~~32d~~ Div, have recourse to the Mil District Comd of Pecs. However, that does not mean that the ~~32d~~ Div comes under the jurisdiction of the Pecs Command. In fact, the Military district commands have no strategic power over troops; that authority is vested in the Army corps.

The ~~32d~~ Inf Div, with hqs at Keszthely, has been, and is, under the jurisdiction of the 6th Army Corps, [redacted]

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Establishment of Additional Army Corps

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It is very probable that a new Army Corps headquarters will soon be established in Papa. This plan was underway, but was suspended by the new government of Imre Nagy who blocked every military measure and every new plan.

Recently, however, the army has regained its former prestige and importance, and the government has stated that in view of the rearmament of Germany and the resulting threats on that front, it will be necessary to adopt countermeasures to strengthen the security of Hungary.

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The establishment of an Army Corps consisting of the following units is under way: 1 artillery division; 1 tank division; and 2 motorized infantry divisions.

The Hungarians always start by establishing Army Corps commands or divisions which are then completed by the addition of troops.

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There is no inf div hqs located in Kalocsa. At one time, units of the 27th Inf Div were stationed in Kalocsa, but they were dissolved under Imre Nagy.

Only units under the Kiskunhalas Division are now stationed in Kalocsa.

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21st Artillery Regiment in Kiskoros

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The 21st Artillery Regt is located about 3.5 kilometers from Kiskoros, at the crossing of the Kiskoros-Kalocsa and Kiskoros-Soltvadkert railroad line. [redacted] The regiment comes under the 5th Inf Div (it was formerly under the jurisdiction of an artillery brigade). Major Mattyas Uj is commanding officer. There are three artillery groups in the regiment, each composed of 3 batteries with 4 76.2-millimeter antitank guns for each battery. All artillery pieces are 1951-1952 models.

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The regiment was established in Tolna [redacted] and remained in Tolna, in the barrack on Mozs-ut, until April 1950. It was then transferred to Dombovar, where it remained until October 1951, when it was transferred to its present location in Kiskoros.

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The 15th Mortar Regt. [redacted] is stationed in the same barrack in Kiskoros, and also comes under the command of the 5th Inf Div.

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Since 1954, the Military Athletic School for Officers has been located at Vonat Laktanya, Budapest XIII, at the corner of Dozsakut and Lehel-ut. The school, whose director is Maj Ferenc PUSKAS, the celebrated Hungarian football player, offers a 6-month training course to officers of the Hungarian army. About 300 men are now attending the course.

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The Osszagos Kozponti Harekocsi Javito Muhely (National Central Tank Repair Shop) is located near the Vonat Laktanya, on the square formed by Botond-ut, Csango-ut, and Tuzer-uts. The factory consists of two repair shops and a few smaller shops, and employs about 400 military and 60 civilian workers. The factory does repair work only, no assembling.

New headquarters for the OLP (Orszagos Legvedelmi Parancsnoksag, National Air Defense Command).

Headquarters of the OLP which until recently was located at 21 Mester-ut, has been transferred to a new barrack about 100 meters east of Villanyi-ut and Also-Hegyaljai-ut crossing, on the side of gellert hegy. The barrack is a 6-story building, part of which is underground. Although construction was completed in 1953, 14 additional months were required to complete the interior. The building looks like an ordinary dwelling house rather than a barrack. The main office of "SZIKRA" (Hungarian State Publishing House) was formerly located here. On the two sides of the superelevated structure, are eight galleries which lead to gellert hegy, which in turn is crossed by regular roads. The entrance is guarded night and day by sentinels, and a Radar and defense

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equipment are installed on the roof of the building, and can be seen only in part from the top of Gellert Hegy.

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New Artillery Base: The barrack was constructed during 1952-1954, and is located at the end of Budaorsi-ut, where Korbereki-ut and Balatoni-ut branch off. The barrack, which has capacity for an entire artillery regiment of about 1,500 men, now houses headquarters and units of the light field motorized artillery regiment.

Maj Arpad KOMAROMI commands the regiment; Capt.

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Istvan KRESZNYAK is political officer and second in command; Lt Gabor KLUIBER, reconnaissance officer; 2d Lt Istvan PERI, head of the Security Office; and 2d Lt Gyorgy BARANY, counterespionage officer. The regimental command consists of about 26 officers; 18 noncoms, and 50 troops. The battery command consists of one reconnaissance platoon of 30 men, and one communications platoon of 35 men. There are three artillery groups, each consisting of a group commander; grp hqs; deputy group commander; communications platoon commander; reconnaissance officer; surveying officer; and estimates officer.

The 1st battery consists of battery hqs; a platoon of telephone operators; and a radio platoon. There are 6 batteries, two for each group; and each battery has the same organization as the 1st battery.

Each of the 1st and 2d gunner platoons has four gunner squads. Each squad consists of the guncrew chief; the breech locker; the gun loader; the fuze setter; the ammunition handler; and the ammunition feeder.

The 1st group is equipped with 16 57-millimeter antitank guns; the 2d group, with 16 76.2-millimeter antitank guns; and the 3d group, 16 76.2-millimeter antitank guns.

The communications platoons are equipped with R/20 receiving sets.

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In addition to the above units, the following also belong to the regiment: 1 regimental supply unit: commanding officer of the regimental supply unit; chief finance officer; clothing, supplies, ammunition, and weapons; cooks; tailors; shoemakers; drivers; mechanics; etc.

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The regiment has 8 3.5-ton "Csepel-Diesel" trucks; 6 "Skoda" trucks; and 52 weapons carrier trucks used to haul artillery pieces. The regiment comes under the jurisdiction of the Ercsi Artillery Brigade.

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